elections, and formulate recommendations to the Federal Election Commission Office of Election Administration for its future program development.

The Advisory Panel meeting is open to the public, dependent on available space. Any member of the public may file a written statement with the Panel before, during, or after the meeting. To the extent that time permits, the Panel Chair may allow public presentation or oral statements at the meeting.

All communications regarding the Advisory Panel should be addressed to Penelope Bonsall, Office of Election Administration, Federal Election Commission, 999 E Street NW, Washington, DC 20463.

Dated: August 8, 1996. Marjorie W. Emmons, Secretary to the Commission. [FR Doc. 96-20638 Filed 8-8-96; 3:03 pm] BILLING CODE 6715-01-M

FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

Ocean Freight Forwarder License **Applicants**

Notice is hereby given that the following applicants have filed with the Federal Maritime Commission applications for licenses as ocean freight forwarders pursuant to section 19 of the Shipping Act of 1984 (46 U.S.C. app. 1718 and 46 CFR 510).

Persons knowing of any reason why any of the following applicants should not receive a license are requested to contact the Office of Freight Forwarders, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, D.C. 20573.

Infiniti Shipping Inc., 1805 Stevens Avenue, Merrik, NY 11566, Officers: Clifford Edwin Serie, President, Paul Clifford Serie, Vice President

Demars International Export Import, 55-12 Broadway, Long Island City, NY 11106, Dean Dujmovic, Sole Proprietor

Elite Freight Forwarders Inc., 9 Ridgewood Avenue, Glen Ridge, NJ 07028, Officer: Percival Bramble, Jr., President Dated: August 7, 1996.

Joseph C. Polking,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Formations of, Acquisitions by, and **Mergers of Bank Holding Companies**

The companies listed in this notice have applied to the Board for approval, pursuant to the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956 (12 U.S.C. 1841 et seq.) (BHC Act), Regulation Y (12 CFR Part 225), and all other applicable statutes

and regulations to become a bank holding company and/or to acquire the assets or the ownership of, control of, or the power to vote shares of a bank or bank holding company and all of the banks and nonbanking companies owned by the bank holding company, including the companies listed below.

The applications listed below, as well as other related filings required by the Board, are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. Once the application has been accepted for processing, it will also be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the standards enumerated in the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1842(c)). If the proposal also involves the acquisition of a nonbanking company, the review also includes whether the acquisition of the nonbanking company complies with the standards in section 4 of the BHC Act, including whether the acquisition of the nonbanking company can "reasonably be expected to produce benefits to the public, such as greater convenience, increased competition, or gains in efficiency, that outweigh possible adverse effects, such as undue concentration of resources, decreased or unfair competition, conflicts of interests, or unsound banking practices" (12 U.S.C. 1843). Any request for a hearing must be accompanied by a statement of the reasons a written presentation would not suffice in lieu of a hearing, identifying specifically any questions of fact that are in dispute, summarizing the evidence that would be presented at a hearing, and indicating how the party commenting would be aggrieved by approval of the proposal. Unless otherwise noted, nonbanking activities will be conducted throughout the United States.

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding each of these applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than September 5, 1996.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta (Zane R. Kelley, Vice President) 104 Marietta Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia

1. Citizens Corporation, and Harrison Group, Inc., both of Franklin, Tennessee; to become bank holding companies by each acquiring 61 percent of the voting shares of Peoples State Bancshares, Inc., Grant, Alabama, and thereby indirectly acquire Peoples State Bank, Grant, Alabama.

In connection with this application, Citizens Corporation and Harrison Group, Inc., to engage directly in mortgage lending activities pursuant to

§ 225.25(b)(1) of the Board's Regulation Y, and to acquire Financial Data Technology, Inc., Franklin, Tennessee, and thereby engage in data processing activities pursuant to § 225.25(b)(7) of the Board's Regulation Y. These activities will be conducted throughout the State of Tennessee.

2. Colony Bankcorp, Inc., Fitzgerald, Georgia; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Broxton State Bank, Broxton, Georgia.

3. First Bankshares of West Point, Inc., West Point, Georgia; to merge with Canebrake Bancshares, Inc., Uniontown, Alabama, and thereby indirectly acquire First State Bank of Uniontown, Uniontown, Alabama.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis (Randall C. Sumner, Vice President) 411 Locust Street, St. Louis, Missouri 63166:

1. First Banks, Inc., Creve Coeur, Missouri; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Sunrise Bancorp, Inc., Roseville, California, and thereby indirectly acquire Sunrise Bank of California, Roseville, California,

2. LandMark Bancshares of Texas, Inc., Columbia, Missouri; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of Itasca State Bank, Itasca, Texas.

3. The Landrum Company, Columbia, Missouri; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of LandMark Bancshares of Texas, Inc., Columbia, Missouri.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, August 6, 1996. Jennifer J. Johnson Deputy Secretary of the Board [FR Doc. 96-20447 Filed 8-9-96; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6210-01-F

Notice of Proposals to Engage in Permissible Nonbanking Activities or to Acquire Companies that are **Engaged in Permissible Nonbanking Activities**

The companies listed in this notice have given notice under section 4 of the Bank Holding Company Act (12 U.S.C. 1843) (BHC Act) and Regulation Y, (12 CFR Part 225) to engage de novo, or to acquire or control voting securities or assets of a company that engages either directly or through a subsidiary or other company, in a nonbanking activity that is listed in § 225.25 of Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.25) or that the Board has determined by Order to be closely related to banking and permissible for bank holding companies. Unless otherwise noted, these activities will be conducted throughout the United States.

Each notice is available for inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. Once the notice has been accepted for